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THE Pope being very much preſſed by the Imperial Ambaſſador on one ſide, and Cardinal *Fourbin* and the *Spaniſh* Ambaſſador on the other, about granting the Inveſtiture of the Kingdom of *Naples*, has appointed a Congregation of 14 Cardinals and 6 Prelates, to examine the Pretenſions of the Emperor and of the King of *Spain* to that Kingdom; The Cardinals are, *Acciaioli*, *Barberini*, and *Pamphilio*, as Heads of the three Orders of Cardinals Biſhops, Cardinals Prieſts, and Cardinals Deacons; *Sacripanti*, and *Paolinzzi*, as Cardinals of the Palace; *San Ceſareo*, as Chamberlain; *Nerli*, *Mareſcotti*, *Spada*, and *Ottoboni*, as being of the Congregation of State; and *Carpegna*, *Panciatici*, *Sperelli*, and *Bichi*, for their knowledge in the Laws; And the Prelates are, *Paracciani* the Pope's Auditor, *Anſaldi* and *Lanzetta* Auditors de Rota, *Buottini* Fiſcal of the Apoſtolick Chamber, *Corſini* Treaſurer-General, and *Cavalieri* Commiſſary of the Chamber. The Pope, to give Satisfaction to the Moſt Chriſtian King for the Affront that was offered to the late Prince of *Monaco* his Ambaſſador, when he went to reſcue Prince *Vaini* from the hands of the Sbirris, has disbanded the Company of Soldiers who were ſent to their Aſſiſtance, and fired upon the ſaid Ambaſſador and his Servants, but a Gratification is given to the Officers and Soldiers over and above the Pay that was due to them; And a Monitory is Publiſhed, Requiring Prince *Vaini*, who is now at *Venice*, on pain of Death, to ſurrender himſelf to ſome Magiſtrate in the Eccleſiaſtical State within a certain time. The Cardinal *de Bouillon* is gone to *France*, at which the Pope is diſſatisfied, it being without his Conſent. The Pope intends to morrow to make his Publick Entry into this City, and to take Poſſeſſion of the Palace of St. *John de Lateran*, which will be performed with great Solemnity. Several new-raiſed Regiments of Horſe and Foot are ſent to *Ferrara* and *Bologna*; and Commiſſions are given out for raiſing 3000 Foot and 1000 Horſe more; The Pope has ordered 300000 Crowns to be paid out of his Treaſury for this Service. The *Venetian* Ambaſſador received an Expreſs the laſt week from the Senate, and has ſince had Audience of the Pope, and acquainted him with the Reſolution of that Republick to obſerve a Neutrality; And that they do not intend to oppoſe the Paſſage of the Forces of either Party through their Territories, but only to protect their own Subjects from any Violence that may be offered them; for which purpoſe they are raiſing Forces, and will ſhortly have on foot 20000 Effective Men.

Genoua, April 10. An Expreſs arrived here 3 days ago, with an account of the Duke of *Mantua*'s having admitted a *French* and *Spaniſh* Garriſon into that Place; and 'tis ſaid, the *French* have given him 25000 Piſtoles in hand, and are to give him a conſiderable Penſion as long as their Troops continue there. The Moſt Chriſtian King has borrowed a conſiderable Sum of Money of this Republick at Intereſt. An Envoy from the Republick of *Lucca* is arrived here in his way to *Madrid*.

Milan, April 13. The Marſhal *de Catinat* is arrived here from *France*, and intends in few days to go and view the Fortifications of the ſeveral Places on the Frontiers of this State. All the Cannon which was in the Arſenal of *Pavia* is ſent to *Cremona*, where there is at preſent a Train of 60 Pieces of Cannon mounted, and 6 Mortars. Two Regiments of Foot of the Duke of *Savoy*'s Forces are come to *Vercelli*, from whence they are to march hither, and a greater Reinforcement of the ſaid Duke's Troops is ſhortly expected. The *French* Forces in *Mantua* have had a Diſpute with ſome of the Duke's Officers, concerning the Poſts which they are to have on the Guard. The vacant Commands in the *Spaniſh* Forces in the *Milanez* have lately been diſpoſed of, in the doing of which ſeveral old Officers being neglected, they have ſurrender'd their Commiſſions.

Venice, April 15. Two *Italian* Regiments of Foot lately arrived from the *Levant*, were reviewed here this week, and ſent away to *Verona*, together with a conſiderable quantity of Ammunition; and 'tis ſaid, our Forces will ſhortly form a Camp near that Place. The Senate intend to fortify *Maran*, a ſmall Town about 20 Miles from *Goritia*, on the Borders of the Dutchy of *Carniola*, and the neceſſary Directions are given for that purpoſe. Four Men of War, will ſail in few days to *Dalmatia*, having on board ſeveral *German* Officers, who are to raiſe Soldiers in that Province for the Service of this State. Signior *Pietro Piſani Moretta* has bought the Dignity of Procurator of St. *Mark* for 25000 Ducats. The Count *de Cremona*, Agent of the Duke of *Mantua*, made a Viſit this week to the Count *de Berka* Ambaſſador from the Emperor, and acquainted him with the ſaid Duke's having received a *French* and *Spaniſh* Garriſon into *Mantua*; He met with a very cold Reception, and returned the next day to *Mantua*. Don *Carlos Bacan*, the *Spaniſh* Ambaſſador, having received a Credential Letter from the King of *Spain* to this Republick, has notified the ſame to the Senate, and intends to make his Publick Entry next week; and the Cavalier *Ruzzini* is appointed to receive and conduct him in the uſual manner.

Vienna, April 16. The Duke of *Moles*, Ambaſſador from *Spain*, is gone to *Neuſtoop*, where he intends to expect his Letters of Revocation from *Madrid*. The Imperial Court appears very much diſſatisfied with the Proceedings of the Duke of *Mantua*, in delivering the Town of *Mantua* into the hands of the *French* and *Spaniards*, contrary to the repeated Aſſurances he had given to the Emperor. Count *Martinitz*, Commiſſary-General of the Emperor's Forces in *Italy*, is gone to *Roveredo*. The Regiment of *Vaudemont* is expected here from *Hungary* the 20th Inſtant, and that of *Savoy* the 23d. The King of the *Romans* deſigns to take a Review of them, after which they will continue their march to *Italy*; The reſt of the Imperial Regiments deſigned thither, are likewiſe on their march. Prince *Lewis* of *Baden* did not go to his Houſe in *Bohemia* as was reported when he left this Place the 11th Inſtant, but went directly to *Nuremberg*, where he intends to continue ſome time;

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